

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 497  
By Crutchfield

A RESOLUTION to recognize Mr. William C. Evans for his service to Tennessee.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this legislative body should recognize those Tennesseans who give unreservedly of their professional talents to perpetuate the public good; and

WHEREAS, William C. Evans is one such person, who has served the people of Tennessee with ingenuity and intelligence in his professional endeavors; and

WHEREAS, a graduate of Chattanooga City High School, where he excelled in athletics, William Evans played baseball in the Cincinnati Reds baseball organization in the early 1950s; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Evans received his certificate of apprenticeship through the Electricians' Joint Apprenticeship Committee in Chattanooga, and since then has been a valuable employee at several electrical companies; and

WHEREAS, in 1981 he was chosen by the United Way as its first labor liaison; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Evans has served with probity as a member of I.B.E.W. Local 175 for over 43 years. As a representative on the union's executive and examining boards, he oversaw the implementation of numerous programs aimed at helping his fellow workers; and

WHEREAS, through Mr. Evans' laudable efforts, the I.B.E.W. was one of the first unions in the country to implement a nickel-an-hour program in 1986; and

WHEREAS, in 1991 William Evans helped to implement a similar nickel-an-hour program for the Plumbers and Steamfitters union, a program that continues to be successful today; and

WHEREAS, throughout the years, Mr. Evans has contributed of his time and immeasurable talents as a member of the board of Chattanooga Venture, River City and CADAS, and currently serves on the board of directors of RiverValley Partners; and

WHEREAS, this inimitable Tennessean was appointed by former Governor Ned McWherter to serve on the Job Training Partnership Act Program for Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, a past master of Ridgedale Lodge #660 and a member of the Shriners, Mr. Evans takes great pride in watching his grandson play football and baseball; and

WHEREAS, his numerous honors and accomplishments aside, William Evans is most appreciative of the love and support he shares with his wife of over 44 years, Jayn Marlin Evans; their daughter, Sherry Kile; and grandchildren, Candice and Billy Kile; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That we hereby honor Mr. William C. Evans for his outstanding professional accomplishments and extend to him our best wishes for much continued success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation to Mr. Evans with this final clause omitted from such copy.